

March 9, 1983

Rachel Schaller

The funeral for Rachel C. Schaller, 87, Groton, was held at 2 p.m., Saturday, March 5, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Groton with the Rev. Dan Elkins officiating.

Burial was in the Groton Union Cemetery. The Paetznick - Garness Funeral Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Schaller died Wednesday, March 2, at Dakota Midland Hospital, Aberdeen.

Casketbearers, all grandsons, were Charles Judd, Bradley Larson, Greg Peterson, Loren Schaller, Russell Schaller and Steve Schaller. Mrs. William Schuelke was the organist and the congregation sang "I'm But a Stranger Here"; "In The Garden"; "Rock of Ages" and "How Great Thou Art".

Rachel C. Knoll was born October 5, 1895, at Chebanse, Ill. In 1905 she came to South Dakota and settled in the Groton-Ferney area. She married William Schaller in 1917 at Groton. They made their home in the Groton area where she was a member of the Chancel Circle and the ladies aid of the church. She was also a member of the Senior Citizens and was a 1972 Merit Mother.

Survivors include five sons, Otho, Conde; Walter, Orville and Ben, all of Groton; and Kenneth, Bruce; three daughters, Mrs. Frank (Myla) Konkol, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. James (Arlene) Peterson and Mrs. Gerald (Bonnie) Larson, both of Groton; two brothers, William and Woodrow Knoll, both of Groton; 20 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1941, two sons, one daughter, three brothers, two sisters and two grandchildren.